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Allied Dental Education Meeting Notes December 3, 2015

Committee Members Attending:

Nancy Kearn, D.H
 Teri Youngdahl, LDA
 Doug Wolff, DDS

Board Staff Attending:

Joyce Nelson, LDA, CDA

Community Participants from the sign in sheet:

MDHEA: Jeanne Anderson, DH
MEDA: Beth Rynders, LDA; Lucy Shoemaker, LDA
MDA: Herb Schulte, DDS
U of M School of Dentistry: Maureen Ohland, DDS, Jim Hinrichs, DDS
Park Dental: Dick Diercks
Argosy University: Jean Frahm, DH; Debra Arver, DH; Sonika Masih, DH

The meeting was called to order at 5:30 pm by Nancy Kearn, Chairperson

Allied Sedation Monitoring Course Sponsors:

The Committee discussed concerns regarding the two Board approved sponsors for the Allied Sedation IV/Monitoring courses. The staff had brought to the attention of the Committee that both sponsors had recently allowed individuals to register and participate in their course, when they didn't meet the necessary and required pre-requisites.

The Committee made the following motion:

MOTION: Committee agreed to allow both sponsors to maintain their Board approved status, so long as they required anyone registering for their course to produce evidence in the form of a Board online verification on themselves, which would show that they were both licensed and held current nitrous oxide certification. In addition, the sponsor would also require a copy of their current AHA or ARC Healthcare Provider CPR card.

VOTE: Unanimously in favor.

New Sponsor for Allied Sedation Monitoring:

Dr. James Hinrichs of the University of Minnesota, had made a proposal to the Committee, to consider his course for certification of allied staff with regards to Allied Sedation IV/Monitoring. This course offering would strictly be for faculty and staff employed within the University of Minnesota School of Dentistry.

MOTION; The Committee accepts Dr. Hinrichs course for allied staff to become certified in the Allied Sedation IV/Monitoring certification.

VOTE: Unanimously in favor.

DH programs and instruction of Gingival Retraction Cord:

The Committee was informed by staff that all DA programs have either implemented the training of placing gingival retraction cord into their curriculum, or will be doing so before the current class graduates.

Upon discussing this with the DH educators present, it was discovered that some of the DH programs were teaching the new duty. Some had indicated they planned on incorporating it soon, others did not, and still others were wondering if they had to.

The Committee informed the educators present that they believed it was the understanding of the Board that all programs would be teaching the new duty. Upon further discussion the Committee was made aware that none of the two year DH programs were teaching all of the DA expanded functions. Some had incorporated duties such as temporary restorations and rubber dam placement, but none were teaching the orthodontic duties.

The Committee was asked by Argosy to address CODA's 2-18 proposal that referred to the programs needing to teach to clinical competency, those duties required for *initial licensure*.

The discussion then centered around the dilemma that the Rules, regarding application requirements for initial licensure, specified the duties for LDA's be everything in 3100.8500, but that for DH's it only referred to being a graduate of a CODA program. Therefore, the Committee deemed it wouldn't require at this time DH applicants to provide proof of the training, but that it would expect that the programs would have it incorporated by 1/1/2016, when CODA's 2-18 proposal went into effect.

Discussion ensued regarding what duties were not being taught in the Minnesota DH programs. Educators of these programs indicated that they had never asked to have all of the expanded functions be part of their scope, but that when new delegated duties were adopted in the past, it seemed the Board always added it to both allied staff's scope. They stated that it was impossible for their programs, especially the two year programs; to incorporate all the expanded functions and that they could not teach each to clinical competency.

1 The DA educators present also stated frustration regarding the impact of continuing to
2 have to add newly adopted duties into their curriculum. They stated that the programs
3 struggled with fractured training, and that it was near impossible to teach to the level of
4 proficiency they would like, based on the length of the programs and the scope of the
5 duties.

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7 Educators in both programs expressed a desire to be able to teach to their core
8 curriculum. They suggested the Board look at certificate level education in some
9 expanded functions in specialty duties.

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11 The Committee acknowledged that to accomplish these requests, the Board would need
12 to restructure the delegated duties. They also recognized that there would need to be
13 grandfathering for the current pool of licensees. The Board would have to implement
14 some type of certification process to acknowledge the additional specialty training. There
15 would have to be assurances that before such changes were made in Rule, there would be
16 educational opportunities in place for newly graduated DA's and DH's to take training in
17 these advanced areas, in order to earn certification.

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19 The Committee agreed to look into what this request would take to accomplish through
20 the Rule Making process. They also acknowledged that they would need to determine if
21 every MN. DA and DH school administration could support such a change. The
22 Committee decided to devote their next meeting to this topic and decide on what criteria
23 and questions would need to be posed to the schools to further this consideration.

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25 **Update on MEDA re: Proposed Ortho Duties:**

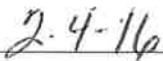
26 MEDA updated the Committee that there had only been one meeting with Dr. Stenberg
27 and that the discussion was still proceeding.

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29 Based on the Committee's previous discussion with the educators involving the fact that
30 the DH programs were not teaching the orthodontic duties, and that the DA programs
31 were struggling with incorporating any additional duties, the Committee felt it was best to
32 hold off on moving these proposed duties forward at this time.

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34 The meeting was adjourned at 8: 35 p.m.

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39 Nancy Kearn, DH Chairperson

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